

REMARKS

The Examiner has required to elect a single claimed species based on the composition of the gas generant.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect MC, BCN, CMCNa, and Al(OH)_3 without traverse.

The Examiner has further required to elect, upon election of the single species of the composition of the gas generant, a single claimed species based on the shape of the gas generant.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect a single-perforated cylinder, shown in Example 3, without traverse.

Claims 1-4, 6-10, 12, 14, 15, 18, 21, 23, and 25-27 are directed to the elected species.

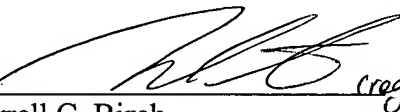
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Maki Hatsumi, Registration No. 40,417 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

- ☐ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☐ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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